## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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For: HETEROBICYCLIC COMPOUNDS

AS PHARMACEUTICALLY ACTIVE AGENTS

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a five month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated August 19, 2008, thereby extending the time period within which to respond to February 19, 2009.

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of August 19, 2008. Applicants elect without traverse to prosecute Group IV comprising Claims 1-8 and 38 (in part) drawn to a compound of formula (I)

$$R^{11}$$

$$R^{16}$$

$$R^{16}$$

$$R^{16}$$

wherein  $X^1$  is S, O, NH, or  $NR^4$ ,  $Y^1-Y^2-Y^3-Y^4$  is  $R^{13}$  and all other variables are as defined in claim 1 excluding any group containing heteroaryl or heterocyclic groups, classified in various subclasses in class 548 or 549. An exemplary compound in this group has the

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following:  $X^1=S$  and  $R_2=CONH_2$ ,  $R^{10}$ ,  $R^{11}$ ,  $R^{16}=H$ ;  $R^3=COR^5$  or  $CONHR^5$ ;  $R^5=C_3-C_{10}$ -cycloalkyl;  $R_{13}=C_1-C_8$  alkyl or  $C_3-C_{10}$ -cycloalkyl.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

The Petition fee of \$1,175.00 is being electronically filed herewith. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment as a result of the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

Respectfully submitted,

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